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Amanda Caroline Vail — Portrait by H. D. Graves

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This cabinet-card portrait shows Amanda Caroline Vail, born Amanda Caroline Young in Missouri, photographed in her later years by H. D. Graves at 431 Jackson Street, Roseburg, Oregon. The handwritten note on the back — “Vail – obit ½ col – Thursday June 11” — indicates that it was prepared for her obituary.

Amanda was the sister of Edward Gibbon Young (“E. G. Young”), founder of the E. G. Young & Co. Bank in Oakland, Oregon, and a central figure in the town’s early commerce and civic development. She came west across the Oregon Trail in 1853 and later lived for a time in Washougal, Washington, where her descendants continued to reside. The photograph reflects the quiet dignity of a woman who lived through nearly the entire span of Oregon’s pioneer era.

Reference: J. V. Chenoweth, *The Make of Oak* (Oakland Printing Company, 1970), pp. 6–7.



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